

# Technical Assistance Exchange August 7, 2013

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# Please Submit ADRC National Evaluation Surveys

Thank you to those states who have submitted their Spring 2013 SART Reports and National Evaluation Surveys! The Evaluation Team decided to still accept Local Level Evaluation Surveys through August 15th. This will allow remaining sites a chance to provide data and participate in this evaluation effort.

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## CMS MFP Tribal Initiative Funding Opportunity

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has again announced a Money Follows the Person (MFP) Tribal Initiative (TI) funding opportunity. The MFP-TI offers existing MFP state grantees and tribal partners the resources to build sustainable, community-based long term services and supports (CB-LTSS) specifically for Indian country. The TI may be used to advance the development of infrastructure required to implement CB-LTSS for American Indians and Alaska Natives using a single or a variety of applicable Medicaid authorities.

Please apply online through <u>Grants.gov</u> (search for CMS-1LI-14-001) by October 17, 2013.

#### **New Resources**



The Affordable Care Act State by State Map is a new interactive resource from DHHS. It includes information and statistics about the current benefits of ACA in each state.



A Promising Start: Preliminary Analysis of Court

Decisions Under the ADA Amendments Act, is a new report from the National Council on Disability. It

reviews the court decisions that have been rendered to date applying the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA), and reveals significant changes in how courts are interpreting protections intended for coverage under the ADA. The report offers 23 findings and three recommendations based on an analysis of court decisions made under the ADAAA by examining decisions rendered under ADA amendments that were

agreed on across both sides of the aisle in Congress.

### **Upcoming Events**

### 1) Rush University Medical Center and the American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging's Continuing Education Online Class

Assessing Decisional Capacity of Older Adults features six modules - the importance of evaluating patients' capacities; key principles and practices; the evaluation process and content; specific capacities and situation; when to conduct an evaluation yourself and when to refer, and working with courts in guardianship proceedings. It also includes videos, a pocket reference card, a glossary, and a resource list, and is downloadable.

The next session will open August 12, 2013 and can be taken for 4 continuing education credits (CME, CNE, or CEU) or a Certificate of Completion. This program satisfies the Illinois social worker 3 hour ethics requirement. The course is \$200 for 4 CMEs and \$100 for 4 CNEs, 4 CEUs, or a Certificate of Completion. The course is \$50 for students.

\*Begins Monday, August 12

\*More Information

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2) Improvements In 1915C Waiver Quality Requirements CMS is offering a Quality webinar for the states regarding enhancements to the Continuous Quality Improvement process states must incorporate in their 1915(c) Home and Community-Based (HCBS) waiver applications. CMS will discuss the timeline for operationalizing the changes and the options states will have available to them to continue to improve their CQI system.

\*Tuesday, August 13, 3:00-5:00 PM ET \*<u>Register Here</u>

### 3) Understanding the Scams Seniors Face- Professional Caregiver Webinar

This webinar is part of The Home Instead Senior Care® network's 2013 Family Caregiver Support Web Seminar Series, which features free monthly seminars for senior care professionals. This webinar is offered by the American Society on Aging and will offer advice on how to protect a senior loved one and examine the "how's" and "why's" of senior scams. This webinar will also address the top scams to watch out for and provide real-world advice on preventing and reporting scams against older adults. The Home Instead Senior Care network is also offering free continuing education credits (CEUs) in conjunction with the web series. CEUs are available for 60 days following the live event and there is no cost for the CEU.

\*Wednesday, August 14, 1:00 PM ET

### \*Wednesday, August 21, 1:00 PM ET \*Register in Advance

### 4) 2013 Webinar Series on Alzheimer's Disease and Resources: Younger Onset Dementia

The National Institute on Aging (NIA) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Administration for Community Living (ACL) are collaborating to host a five-part webinar series. This webinar will focus on dementias that typically occur before age 65: Alzheimer's disease, behavioral variant frontotemporal degeneration and primary progressive aphasia. This webinar will also discuss the specific developmental, relational, and financial impacts of younger onset dementias, as well as detection, diagnosis, resources and research directions.

\*Tuesday, August 20, 1:30-3:00 PM ET \*Register in Advance

5) Webcast: Health Care for Aging Adults with Intellectual/ Developmental Disability in Canada Examining the Organization of Healthcare for Aging Adults with Intellectual Disabilities, a Canadian research project funded by the Vancouver Foundation, examines the implementation of healthcare policies into practice for adults aging with intellectual disabilities. Health Services for Community Living (HSCL) is a unique British Columbia provincial program established following the closure of large institutions to specifically address the healthcare needs of people with ID living in the community. The webinar will examine policy-practice gaps in the implementation of HSCL and other relevant services and policies across five regional health authorities. The webinar will focus on several key areas: 1) the practical policy implications of transitioning from "Person with Disabilities" to "Senior Citizen" status; 2) the lack of knowledge among healthcare professionals to provide appropriate care for this population; 3) the availability of informal supports for aging parents and siblings; and 4) end of life care.

\*Wednesday, August 21, 2:00-3:00PM ET \*Register in Advance

### **Upcoming Conferences**

Some events in the upcoming months of possible interest to the ADRC community are open for registration.

#### 1) NASUAD HCBS Annual Conference

This conference showcases innovative national, federal, state and local delivery and policy developments vital for assuring Americans of all ages and abilities receive the highest quality community living supports, care, and services possible. Over 1,000 national, federal, state and local leaders, advocates, and champions for children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities from across the nation are expected to attend the conference.

- \*September 9-12, 2013 \*Arlington, VA
- \*More Information
- \*Register Here

## 2) Southeastern Association of Area Agencies on Aging The Alabama Association of AAAs in partnership with the Alabama Department of Senior Services will host the 2013 Southeastern

Department of Senior Services will host the 2013 Southeastern Association of Area Agencies on Aging (SE4A) Annual Training Conference. The event will offer participants essential aging updates, training and networking opportunities.

\*September 22-25, 2013 \*Orange Beach, AL

- \*More Information
- \*Register Here

### 3) The Consumer Voice 37th Annual Conference

The Consumer Voice Annual Conference will be held in the Hilton Crystal City at Washington Reagan National Airport. The Conference attendees will engage in one-on-one dialogue with consumers of long-term services and supports; get the latest policy updates directly from key experts at the federal level; learn about best practices nationwide; and attend skills trainings and acquire tools and resources.

\*October 24-27, 2013

- \*Register Here
- \*Crystal City, VA
- \*More Information

### **TAE Update of the Week:**

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